

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Alessi et al.
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Examiner	:	Lee, Jay W.
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 2009**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2009, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.